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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1366

DATE PREPARED: Jan 31, 2002

BILL AMENDED: Jan 30, 2002

SUBJECT: Court Fees.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill reduces the deposit that must be made to transfer a case from a small claims docket to a plenary docket from \$70 to \$65.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: (Revised) Reducing the deposit from \$70 to \$65 will result in a revenue loss of \$5 for each case that is transferred from small claims to civil dockets. The State General Fund receives 70% of the deposit. Consequently, the state's share would be reduced by \$3.50 per case. The number of cases that are transferred from small claims to civil dockets is not known.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: (Revised) The general funds at the county and municipal level receive 30% of the deposit. Consequently, the local share would be reduced by \$1.50 per case. The number of cases that are transferred from small claims to civil dockets is not known.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Clerks of trial courts and city and town courts.

Information Sources: